



**OPEN SESSION MINUTES OF THE
MISSOURI WELL INSTALLATION BOARD
Ramada Oasis Convention Center
2546 North Glenstone Avenue,
Springfield, Mo.**

February 26, 2020

The regular meeting of the Well Installation Board was held February 26, 2020, at the Ramada Oasis Convention Center in Springfield, MO. A quorum being present, Chairman Danny Flynn called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Board Members Present: Chairman Danny Flynn, Vice-Chairman Bob Broz, Mr. Lindell Lindsey, Mr. Neal Farrar, Mr. Jerry Prewett.

Board Members Absent: Ms. Sharlene Morgan.

Legal Counsel: Mr. Ed Theobald, Assistant Attorney General.

Staff Present: Mr. Kyle Rollins, Ms. Cathy Smith, Ms. Amber Steele, Ms. Connie Edwards, Mr. Justin Davis, Mr. Ross Keeling.

Guests Present: Mr. James Cook, Ms. Linda Cook, Mr. Travis Roberts, Mr. Errol Choate, Mr. Jim Klinkhardt, Mr. Jacob Buechting, Mr. Gerald Buechting, Mr. Dale Brower, Mr. David Pense, Mr. David Schnell, Mr. Phil Tearney.

INTRODUCTION

Chair Flynn welcomed everyone to the meeting, introduced himself and asked the remaining Board members to introduce themselves, followed by staff and the audience.

ELECTIONS

Mr. Lindsey nominated Mr. Danny Flynn as Chairman. Motion carried. Mr. Broz nominated Mr. Lindsey as Vice Chairman. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2019, MINUTES

The Chairman asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the September 6, 2019, meeting. Mr. Lindsey moved to accept the minutes. Mr. Broz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DNR REPORTS AND UPDATES

The Chairman recognized Ms. Amber Steele, Geological Survey Director, who gave an update on the Well Information Management System, the Oil and Gas functions moving to the Well Installation Section, and Groundwater Protection Fund projections. It is projected the fund will become insolvent in 2023. Staff are currently working on scenarios to present to the Board at the May meeting. Discussion was made on the current fees.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Kyle Rollins, Well Installation Section Chief, who updated the Board on staff changes, GovDelivery email system, final *Connection* newsletter which will be sent in March, permit updates, current enforcement process and enforcement actions, Jasper/Newton County dye trace and liners, and announced his April 1st retirement date.

NEW BUSINESS

The Chairman called Mr. Tearney to speak to the Board, via teleconference, in regard to his petition of a variance for a well drilling permit. After discussion was made, Chair Flynn made a motion recommending the variance request by Phil with Continental Cole not be granted based on the Missouri Well Construction Rules for monitoring wells. Mr. Broz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

OPEN COMMENT SESSION

Mr. James Cook, president of the MWWA, thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak. Mr. Cook requested the Board reconsider Continuing Education Units (CEUs) directing staff to start working on this again, and offered his services as a consultant to work with staff on developing a plan. Mr. Lindsey made a motion directing staff to pursue looking into the possibility of CEUs being implemented into the permitting process, which we understand could possibly or would require a rule change and moving forward to just instruct the staff to look into it and investigate and report back to the Board at the next scheduled Board meeting. Mr. Broz second the motion. Motion carried.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next tentative board meeting will be held Friday, May 8, 2020, at the Missouri Geological Survey. Other 2020 tentative meeting dates include: Friday, August 14th, and Friday, November 6th.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Broz moved that the Well Installation Board meet in closed session at 9:30 a.m. at the next regular board meeting for the purpose of discussing matters protected from disclosure by law as provided for in Section 610.021, RSMo., including but not limited to: legal actions, pending litigation, and attorney-client privileged matters with the Board attorney. Mr. Lindsey seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Mr. Farrar, yes, Mr. Lindsey, yes; Mr. Broz, yes; Mr. Prewett, yes, and Chair Flynn, yes. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lindsey moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Farrar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

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